INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

IN2004/000067

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC 7 B22F9/14 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC B. FIELDS SEARCHED Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) IPC 7 **B22F** Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used) EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, COMPENDEX C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT Relevant to claim No. Cliation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages Category * PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN 1-10,12, X vol. 017, no. 208 (M-1401), 20 23 April 1993 (1993-04-23) -& JP 04 350107 A (SUMITOMO ELECTRIC IND LTD), 4 December 1992 (1992-12-04) 11 abstract 13-19 paragraph '0007! - paragraph '0017! paragraph '0020! PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN 11 vol. 014, no. 424 (M-1024), 12 September 1990 (1990-09-12) -& JP 02 166202 A (ISHIKAWAJIMA HARIMA HEAVY IND CO LTD), 26 June 1990 (1990-06-26) abstract Patent family members are listed in annex. Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C. X Special categories of cited documents: *T* later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the considered to be of particular relevance invention "E" earlier document but published on or after the international "X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention filing date cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone "L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention citation or other special reason (as specified) cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such docu-"O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or ments, such combination being obvious to a person skilled other means in the art. *P* document published prior to the International filing date but *&* document member of the same patent family later than the priority date claimed Date of mailing of the international search report Date of the actual completion of the international search 28/10/2004 18 October 2004 Authorized officer Name and mailing address of the ISA European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl, Ceulemans, J Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016

2

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

IN2004/000067

		1N2004/00006/						
C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT								
Calegory *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.						
E	PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN vol. 2003, no. 12, 5 December 2003 (2003-12-05) -& JP 2004 124155 A (SUMITOMO ELECTRIC IND LTD), 22 April 2004 (2004-04-22) abstract	1-20						
Α	DE 28 01 918 A (MAX PLANCK GESELLSCHAFT) 19 July 1979 (1979-07-19) the whole document	1-20						
Α	WO 01/17671 A (BALLARD STEPHEN G; AMERICAN INTER METALLICS INC (US)) 15 March 2001 (2001-03-15) the whole document	1-20						
P,A	WO 03/080275 A (CHANG ISAAC TSZ HONG; METAL NONPOWDERS LTD (GB)) 2 October 2003 (2003-10-02) the whole document	1-20						
		.]						
	•							
	·							
	•							
	•							

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

IN2004/000067

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date		Patent family member(s)	Publication date
JP 04350107	Α	04-12-1992	NONE		
JP 02166202	Α	26-06-1990	NONE		
JP 2004124155	Α	22-04-2004	NONE		
DE 2801918	Α	19-07-1979	DE	2801918 A1	19-07-1979
WO 0117671	A	15-03-2001	AU CA CN EP JP WO	7343900 A 2383861 A1 1377297 T 1230017 A1 2003508633 T 0117671 A1	10-04-2001 15-03-2001 30-10-2002 14-08-2002 04-03-2003 15-03-2001
WO 03080275	A	02-10-2003	WO	03080275 A2	02-10-2003